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SUBJECT: OVERSEAS VOTING PROCEDURES

REF: PARIS 6919

- 1. DEPT APPRECIATES VALUABLE INSIGHTS PROVIDED BY REFTEL, COPY OF WHICH WAS SENT TO SENATE RULES COMMITTEE WHERE BILL (S. 703) IS PENDING.
- 2. DEPT AGREES THAT NEED TO IMPROVE ABSENTEE VOTING PROCEDURE IS GREAT AND BELIEVES THAT PRESENT BILL HAS POTENTIAL FOR ACHIEVING THIS GOAL. DEPT AND DEPT OF DEFENSE ARE WORKING WITH RULES COMMITTEE TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES IN BILL WHICH WILL PERMIT IT TO MEET ITS POTENTIAL. IF COMMITTEE ADOPTS THESE CHANGES, AND BILL IS ENACTED, DEPT CONSIDERS THAT MOST PROBLEMS MENTIONED BY EMBASSY WILL BE ELIMINATED.
- 3. REVISED FPCA HAS ALREADY BEEN DRAWN UP BY DOD. IT SHOULD PROVE ACCEPTABLE FOR USE BY CIVILIAN AND MILITARY VOTERS, BUT IT CANNOT BE ISSUED UNTIL BILL UNCLASSIFIED

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BECOMES LAW.

4. PLEASE INFORM DEPT IF REPORT REFERRED TO IN REFTEL APPEARED IN HERALD TRIBUNE AND IF SO, UNDER WHOSE BY-LINE. IF WRITER NEEDS ANY FURTHER INFORMATION, (SUCH AS TEXT OF BILL OR COPIES OF PREPARED TESTIMONY) PLEASE ADVISE. DEPT CONSIDERS THAT CONTACT AT TRIBUNE

SHOULD BE AWARE OF NEED FOR CERTAIN CHANGES IN BILL A	S
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